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1. GOC PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE (PIO) HAS RELEASED
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ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON RESPONSIBILITIES OF NEW CABINET
MINISTERS. MINISTER OF FINANCE, IN ADDITION TO HIS
USUAL DUTIES, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING THE
GOVERNMENT'S ENTIRE ECONOMIC POLICY. NEW MINISTER
TO THE PRESIDENT WILL UNDERTAKE SERVICES RELATED TO
HUMANITARIAN ISSUES, SUCH AS MISSING PERSONS, ENCLAVED
PEOPLE, AND EMIGRANTS AND WILL ASSIST THE PRESIDENT

IN OTHER TASKS. DEPUTY MINISTER OF INTERIOR WILL SERVE AS CENTRAL AGENT FOR REFUGEE MATTERS, AND DEPUTY MINISTER OF EDUCATION WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND RELATIONS.

2. PIO HAS ALSO RELEASED BRIEF BIOGRAPHIES OF NEW MINISTERS, WHICH FOLLOW:

(A) NICOS A. ROLANDIS, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. HE WAS BORN IN LIMASSOL ON 10 DEC 1934. HE GRADUATED FROM PANCYPRIAN GYMNASIUM AND IN 1952 HE WENT TO LONDON TO STUDY LAW AT THE MIDDLE TEMPLE. IN 1956 HE WAS CALLED TO THE BAR. ON HIS RETURN TO CYPRUS HE PRACTISED LAW FOR A SHORT TIME AND THEN TURNED TO BUSINESS. TODAY HE IS A SHAREHOLDER, CHAIRMAN AND/OR MANAGING DIRECTOR OF ONE OF THE BIGGEST INDUSTRIAL GROUPS IN CYPRUS. HE IS MARRIED. HIS WIFE IS MRS. LELIA NEE' AIVALIOTIS. HE HAS TWO DAUGHTERS AND ONE SONE.

(B) MARIOS GEORGHIOU ELIADES, MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND WORKS. HE WAS BORN IN LIMASSOL ON [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 08 DEC 2014] AND GRADUATED FROM THE LANITION GYMNASIUM, LIMASSOL, IN 1962. HE WENT TO BRITAIN WHERE HE STUDIED LAW AT GRAY'S INN, AND WAS CALLED TO THE BAR IN 1964. THEN HE WENT TO ATHENS WHERE HE ALSO STUDIED LAW. HE GRADUATED IN UNCLASSIFIED

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1969. AFTER COMPLETING HIS MILITARY SERVICE HE HAS BEEN PRACTISING LAW, IN LIMASSOL SINCE 1971. IN JULY 1977 HE WAS APPOINTED MEMBER OF THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD SET UP UNDER THE LAW ON THE TRIAL OF DISCIPLINARY OFFENCES CONCERNING THE JULY 15, 1974 COUP. HE IS NOT MARRIED.

(C) ANDREAS N. PAPAGEORGHIU, MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY. HE WAS BORN AT PETRA, SOLEAS, ON 16 NOV 1932, THE SON OF A FARMER. HE STUDIED AT THE PANCYPRIAN GYMNASIUM FROM WHICH HE GRADUATED IN 1950. IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS HE WORKED FOR ONE YEAR WITH THE NICOSIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND LATER HE JOINED THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE IN WHICH HE SERVED UNTIL 1956. FROM 1956 TO 1959 HE STUDIED LAW AT GRAY'S INN, LONDON, WHERE HE WAS CALLED TO THE BAR. HE RETURNED TO CYPRUS EARLY IN 1959 AND PRACTISED LAW IN NICOSIA AND AT LEFKA. IN 1963 HE WAS EMPLOYED BY THE BANK OF CYPRUS LTD., AS INTERNAL LEGAL ADVISER. HE ORGANISED THE INTERNAL LEGAL SERVICES OF THE BANK AND WAS PROMOTED TO SENIOR SECTION HEAD. HE SERVED AS MEMBER AND CHAIRMAN OF VARIOUS BOARDS OF DIRECTORS AND

COMMITTEES. HE IS MARRIED WITH THREE CHILDREN. (TWO DAUGHTERS AND ONE SON). HIS WIFE IS MRS. MARO, NEE' LOUKIS DIMITRIADES OF NICOSIA.

(D) EMILIOS THEODOULOU, MINISTER OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL INSURANCE. HE WAS BORN ON 21 JUNE 1934 AT AYIOS IOANNIS MALOUNTA. HE GRADUATED FROM THE ENGLISH SCHOOL NICOSIA AND SUBSEQUENTLY JOINED THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE. IN 1963 HE WENT TO LONDON WHERE HE WAS CALLED TO THE BAR IN 1966. HE HAS BEEN PRACTISING LAW SINCE 1967. HE IS MARRIED, WITH TWO SONS AND ONE DAUGHTER. HIS WIFE IS MRS. DENA NEE' IOANNIS CHARALAMBIDES.

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(E) STELIOS KATSELLIS, DEPUTY MINISTER OF INTERIOR.

HE WAS BORN IN KYRENIA ON AUGUST 12, 1931. ON GRADUATING FROM THE GYMNASIUM HE WENT TO BRITAIN WHERE HE STUDIED ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AT LOUGHBOROUGH COLLEGE AND IN FARADAY HOUSE, FROM WHICH HE GRADUATED IN 1956. ON HIS RETURN TO CYPRUS HE WORKED IN THE HOTEL ESTABLISHMENTS OF HIS FATHER IN KYRENIA AS CO-MANAGER OF DOME HOTEL.
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IN 1961 HE WAS APPOINTED PRESIDENT OF THE KYPRENIA GREEK SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND IN 1964 MAYOR OF KYRENIA. IN NOVEMBER 1977, HE WAS APPOINTED MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION. HE IS MARRIED, WITH TWO DAUGHTERS. HIS WIFE IS MRS. RINA, NEE' STAVROS CHARALAMBIDES OF KYPRENIA.

(F) DR. COSTAS E. HADJISTEFANOU, DEPUTY MINISTER OF EDUCATION. HE WAS BORN AT KARAVAS IN 1926. HE GRADUATED FROM THE PANCYPRIAN GYMNASIUM IN 1944 AND OBTAINED A DOCTORATE FROM LONDON UNIVERSITY. IN 1963-1964 HE RECEIVED POST-GRADUATE EDUCATION ON A FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP IN THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY (ILLINOIS) AND IN OTHER UNIVERSITIES IN THE UNITED STATES ON MATTERS RELATING TO SCHOOL MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION. ON JANUARY 1, 1977, HE WAS APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. HE IS MARRIED. HIS WIFE IS MRS. LENA NEE' ODYSSEAS ELLINOPOULOS. HE HAS TWO SONS AND ONE DAUGHTER. (DEPT. WILL NOTICE DR. HADJISTEFANOU HAS BEEN ACCEPTED FOR LEADER GRANT THIS YEAR.)

(G) PETROS MICHAELIDES, MINISTER OF JUSTICE. HE WAS BORN AT AYIOS PHOTIOS, PAPHOS, ON [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 08 DEC 2014]. HE STUDIED LAW, POLITICAL SCIENCE AND ECONOMICS AT ATHENS UNIVERSITY (1958-1963). HE HAD POST-GRADUATE STUDIES IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCE IN PARIS UNIVERSITY, (1964-1966), WHERE HE OBTAINED A DOCTOR'S DEGREE. FROM 1966 TO 1971 HE PRACTISED LAW IN NICOSIA. IN 1971 HE WAS APPOINTED A JUDGE, A POST HE HOLDS UNTIL NOW. HE IS MARRIED AND HAS A SON. THE NAME OF HIS WIFE IS MARO NEE' IOANNIDES. EMBASSY COMMENT: IN REF B WE SPOKE OF MICHAELIDES AS A SENIOR, RESPECTED JUDGE. UPON
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